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TAGS: BEXP, SY

SUBJECT: 1977 DAMASCUS INTERNATIONAL FAIR

REF: DAMASCUS 8141

1. CURRENT ASSESSMENT OF USDOC FUNDING AVAILABILITY  
UNFORTUNATELY WILL NOT ALLOW FOR FUNDING OVERSEAS COSTS  
OF 1977 FAIR. THOROUGH BUDGET REVIEW FOR REMAINDER FY 1977  
JUST COMPLETED AND OUTLOOK NOT AS POSITIVE AS PREVIOUSLY  
ANTICIPATED.

2. BELIEVE, HOWEVER, IT MAY BE POSSIBLE CONDUCT EXHIBITION  
SIMILAR TO THIS YEAR WITH ENTIRE OVERSEAS COST COVERED BY  
EXHIBITOR CONTRIBUTIONS. USDOC PREPARED SUPPLY TWO  
EXPERIENCED OVERSEAS MANAGERS FOR EVENT AT ITS EXPENSE TO  
ARRIVE DAMASCUS APPROX. 8 WEEKS PRIOR TO OPENING AND  
REMAIN THROUGH FAIR AND CLOSING. AS IN PAST USDOC'S CAGNE  
STAFF AND RTDO ATHENS WILLING ASSIST POST WITH RECRUITMENT.

3. IN SUMMARY, FAIR COULD BE HANDLED IN SAME FASHION AS IN  
1976, EXCEPT WITH HIGHER PARTICIPANTS' CONTRIBUTIONS.

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ALL FUNDS COLLECTED WOULD BE SENT TO USDOC THEN PROCESSED

BACK TO POST. IF POST FEELS THIS APPROACH POSSIBLE, PLEASE  
FORWARD BUDGET ESTIMATES AND INFORMATION ON NEEDS NOT

BUDGETABLE FROM POST FOR USDOC REVIEW AND DEVELOPMENT  
FIRM FINANCING PACKAGE. AGAIN REGRET RECENTLY DEVELOPED  
CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH PRECLUDE HOPED FOR FUNDING. KISSINGER

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